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PETITION TO WITHDRAW PATENT APPLICATION FROM ISSUANCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)

OFFICE OF PETITIONS Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Customer No. 40581

Dear Representative of the Office of Petitions:

On behalf of the Assignee, U.S. Bancorp, Applicant hereby petitions the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to withdraw the above-referenced patent application from Issuance after payment of the issue fees. Please charge Deposit Account 50-0996 \$130.00 (USBA.008PA) and all required fees under § 1.313 to enter this request.

Accompanying this Petition is a <u>Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R.</u>

1.114; which provides for the examiner's consideration the <u>Information Disclosure Statement</u>

and PTO Forms-1449 filed 6/18/2004; and the <u>Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement</u>

and PTO Form-1449 filed 1/4/2005. Granting of this Petition and withdrawal of the application from issuance, for entry and proper consideration of these items, are expressly solicited for the specific reasons set forth below.

Applicant submits that there is good and sufficient reason to withdraw the abovereferenced patent application from issuance. The PTO-Forms-1449 mentioned above were returned to the Applicant's representative (the undersigned) as having been considered by the 02/22/2005 AKELLEY 00000007 500996 10729350 App. Serial No. 10/729,350 Docket No. USBA.008PA Petition to Withdrawn Application from Issuance

Examiner on February 10, 2005, well after prosecution of the application on the merits was closed (Notice of Allowance dated 11/19/2004). Moreover, copies of at least one reference listed on the aforementioned PTO Forms-1449 was physically controlled by, and may have been known by (in the context of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d)), an individual designated in § 1.56 more than three months prior to its submission. Therefore, if the application is not withdrawn, the ensuing patent would be allowed over and in view of cited prior art that may be deemed to have been improperly submitted by the Applicant and/or belatedly considered by the Patent Examiner. In this context the Applicant requests that the citations be reviewed under a continued examination proceeding, and such review be recorded/entered prior to an allowance being issued.

A granting of this Petition to Withdraw Application from Issuance, for a continued examination proceeding, is earnestly requested. The Examiner and Office of Petitions are encouraged to contact the undersigned at 651/686-6633 x101 with any questions regarding this communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST FOR REFUND UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.26 OF ISSUE FEES PAID 2/10/2005 UPON THE GRANTING OF THE PETITION FILED HEREWITH UNDER 37 CFR § 1.313(c)

MAIL STOP 16 Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Dear Sir or Madam:

The undersigned attorney of record is respectfully requesting a refund of issues fees and the publication fee remitted in electronic form on February 10, 2005 (copy of Form PTOL-85 attached for reference purposes only).

This Refund Request is concurrently filed with a <u>Petition to Withdraw Patent Application</u>
<u>Serial No. 10/729,350 from Issuance under § 1.313(c)</u> and a <u>Request for Continued Examination</u>
<u>under § 1.114.</u>

Please refund the undersigned payee the amount of \$1,700.00 (Fee Code 1501/1505) to Deposit Account 50-0996 (USBA.008PA) the Issue and Publication fees remitted 2/10/2005 upon a granting of the aforementioned <u>Petition</u>.

Please contact the undersigned directly should there be any remaining questions or issues

that can be addressed over the telephone.

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